

George Loper Killed and Five Others Severely Burned as Gas Well Ignites



Scene of Fatal Gas Well Accident

Photo by Joe Orzechski, Jarrow

(From The Viking News)

Geo. W. Loper lost his life and five others were severely burned last Saturday morning when a gas well they were bringing in for the Northwestern Utilities Limited, north of Jarrow, caught fire and burst into flames.

Dead is George Warren Loper, 55, of Viking.

Ian McCall, 39, of Minburn, serious burns to arms, chest, face and back.

Robert McInroy, 18, of Mannville, severe burns on face, arms and chest.

William Kennedy, 19, of Minburn, severe burns on arms, chest, and face.

Harvey McGinitie, 25, of Tofield, burns to face and arms.

Ernest Hanson, 37, of Viking, burns on arms and face.

Desperate efforts were made to pull Loper away from the roaring gas well, but the intense heat prevented rescue work. Fellow workers said Loper, who was knocked down from the platform of the rig, tried to "roll away" from the rig, but fell directly into the fire.

The men were running production casing preparatory to completing the well as a new gas producer when the escaping gas ignited and burned fiercely.

The five injured men were transported in a company car to the Viking hospital for medical attention, and at this writing are said to be doing as well as can be expected, although some of them are severely burned.

The Viking fire department responded to a call and were at the burning well in a short time and assisted in extinguishing the blaze. The gas company also rushed their fire fighting equipment to the scene. The flames were so intense that removal of Loper's body was impossible until the fire was extinguished.

While there have been other minor explosions in the field when gas pipes burst under pressure, usually in the cold weather, this was the first fatality resulting from an accident in the field since the gas company began operations in 1923.

The late Mr. Loper had been an employee of the gas company for the past fifteen or twenty years and was an experienced driller and was foreman of the rig that brought wells into production. He was known as being careful and efficient and his death is deeply felt by all the employees and officials at the Viking and Kinelsa camps.

The body was taken to Edmonton Saturday evening to the Foster & McFarvey funeral home where funeral services were held on Tuesday, June 19, at 2 p.m. The Rev. G. W. Wilson officiating. Interment took place in the Beechmount cemetery. He is survived by one son, Claude, of Edmonton; two sisters, Mrs. R. S. Woods, Edmonton, Mrs. D. F. Wilson, Albany, Oregon; two brothers, William of Edmonton and Lester of Tacoma, Washington.

Fire Equipment Discussed At Council Meeting

Councillors present: W. N. Frickelton, Wilfred Symington, Mayor Frickelton presiding.

Minutes of the previous meeting were adopted as written on the motion of W. Symington.

Mr. Owens, representing LaFrance-Fountain Protection, was present to discuss with the Council various types of Fire Fighting equipment, particularly those suitable for a village of the size of Irma. Police Chief and Fire Marshal were also present. It was decided to meet Mr. Owens at Mannville on the 27th of June for the purpose of inspecting the equipment in use there.

Mr. V. Hutchinson and Keith Coffin for V. Hutchinson & Co. were present and requested that the Council give some consideration regarding a sidewalk from their place of business to the Main Street along 1st Avenue.

Symington—That the Secretary contact T. J. Pounder & Co. of Edmonton regarding asphalt sidewalks and that they recommend a contractor familiar with this type of sidewalk construction.

Two tenders were received for gravel tender and on motion of W. N. Frickelton the tender was awarded to Glen E. Hockett at \$1.60 per yard for about 200 yards, more or less.

Correspondence was read from the Imperial Lumber Co. regarding their property on Main Street and filed.

Letter from the Supt. of C.N.R. gave permission for Council to build a new approach to the elevator from the West along the South boundary of the C.N.R. property.

Frickelton—That Council confirm the letting of the agriculture grounds to Messrs. H. Russell and A. Glinthe on June 28th for the purpose of holding a Stampede and carnival.

Provincial Inspector report of May 14th read and filed.

Secretary reported that Mr. J. W. Doze B. Sc. Alberta and Dominion Land Surveyor, had completed certain survey work in the Village.

Dept. of Public Welfare notified Council of Increase in Mother's Allowance in regard to Mrs. Sophie Ostad.

Financial Statement Presented—Receipts for Month of May \$492.10; Disbursements \$312.89; Net bal. at end of May \$180.72; Agric. Trust \$362.71; Cemetery Trust \$224.02.

Symington—That Statements be accepted as presented and that accounts amounting to \$2175.39 be passed for payment.

Symington—That the meeting adjourn.

—A. C. Charter, Sec.-Treas.

Old-Timers Honored On Fiftieth Anniversary

Hedley's Hall was decorated with white and yellow streamers, bells and flowers on the evening of June 14 for the golden wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Rae, old timers of this district since 1910.

A crowd of 150 or more had gathered from far and near, friends from Wainwright, Buffalo Coulee, Minburn and Phillips, besides a number of old homestead neighbors from the Albert district and man local friends.

Mr. Cliff Smallwood made a very efficient master of ceremonies and the following program was enjoyed by all. Two piano selections by Miss Audrey Jones; two readings from Drummonds poems by Mrs. J. C. McLean; community singing conducted by Mrs. Albert Glasgow, with Mrs. Black at the piano; Long Long Ago was sung by Mrs. Black, Mrs. Hurst and Mrs. McFarland, accompanied by Mrs. Shirley Mae Brown at the piano.

Mrs. Hurst had composed a special number for this occasion entitled "Our Golden Wedding Day." This was sung very beautifully by Mrs. R. L. Simmerman.

A recitation called "50 Years Ago" was given by Carol Smallwood and finally a contest and a play was conducted by Mrs. R. Larson and Mrs. J. C. McLean.

On behalf of the community and friends, Mr. Pryce Jones then presented the guests of honor with a lovely clock, complete with Westminster chimes.

Mrs. D. H. Gunn on behalf of the well-wishers of a happy wedding to the bride of 50 years. Mr. and Mrs. Rae also received many cards of congratulations, a telegram from their daughter Mrs. A. McLellan of Victoria and flowers from the grandsons and from Mr. and Mrs. Ricks of Calgary.

Following a delicious lunch, a three tiered wedding cake, decorated with golden horse shoes, was cut and passed around, bringing to close one of the most pleasant gatherings ever held at Irma.

Southern Sayings

Mr. and Mrs. Art Ewert and family and Ed Veer, all of Sundry, were week-end visitors at Mr. and Mrs. P. Funk and family and other relatives in the district over the week-end.

Mr. J. Jackson is a Vermilion visitor, attending the FUA meet.

Mr. and Mrs. Axel Setzer, Mr. and Mrs. Iver Froland and Verna, and Clarence Setzer, all of Calgary, were visitors at Mr. and Mrs. Otto Setzer's and family over the week-end.

Miss Margaret Fitzgerald of Wainwright visited Mr. and Mrs. Syd Johnston and Phyllis and other relatives for the Stampede week-end.

Mr. Leslie Reber was home for Saturday but missed seeing the folks as everyone was at the Stampede.

Mr. Albert (Bertie) Jackson has gone down east with Floyd Fuder and others to bring back some new cars.

We're all sorry to hear of the accident Miss Isabella Jackson was in. She has no broken bones. She was very lucky as the car was completely demolished.

Mrs. M. Mellott and family was a visitor at Mr. and Mrs. Roy Reber's last week after just returning to Irma from McLennan, Alta.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Funk of Beaverflat, Sask., are visiting their daughter, Mrs. Jimmie Owens and family this week.

Bride-To-Be "Showered"

On the evening of Tuesday, June 14, the lunch room of the Irma school was prettily decorated with pink and white streamers and wedding bells and centered with a large white cardboard wedding cake, daintily trimmed with pink rosebuds for a miscellaneous shower in honor of Clara Lou Larson, a bride-to-be of early July.

A large number of friends had gathered and the early part of the evening was spent in community singing led by Mrs. McFarland, with Mrs. Hurst at the piano.

Laverne Larson, small sister of the guest of honor, played a piano solo and encore. Mrs. J. C. McLean then gave 2 humorous readings. There were two contests, one conducted by Mrs. Symington and one by Mrs. D. H. Gunn. Mrs. R. L. Simmerman gave a solo and encore with Shirley Mae Brown at the piano. Then the hostesses went to the front of the room and sang an original and romantic song concerning the courtship of Clara Lou. Mrs. Symington then asked the bride to be to sample the contents of the giant-sized wedding cake. This proved to be a wonderful array of shower gifts. After Clara Lou, assisted by Mrs. R. L. Simmerman and Mrs. Heaton Larson had unwrapped all these interesting packages, she expressed her thanks to all present, in a few well chosen words.

A lovely lunch was then served by the hostesses, Mrs. Symington, Mrs. Hurst, Mrs. Milne, Mrs. Robber, Mrs. Fahnner, Mrs. E. Fuder, Mrs. Frickelton, Mrs. Halvorsen and Mrs. Torrance, assisted by other Irma ladies.

Glen-Coa Gleanings

The sincerest sympathy of the entire community is extended to Helen and the Whidden family in their sad bereavement.

Several of our young people left last Sunday for the great Luther League Convention at Seattle, on June 20-24. Mr. and Mrs. Carl Gulbraa drove to Calgary there to meet Curtis Satge and drive on to the coast in his car with him. Miss Lilly Nelson and Mr. Ralph Erickson are also two more passengers of Curtis's. We wish for them a fine trip and an inspiring time at Seattle.

Mr. and Mrs. O. Steffensen, Solve and Arlene also left on Sunday for Seattle.

Mr. Fred Wille of Vancouver arrived last Saturday night for a visit with his relatives, Mr. and Mrs. O. Likness and family.

The Camrose College young people are home once again for the holidays, with the exception of John Erickson, who is writing grade 12 exams.

Miss Alice Westly has been home at Boyle for the past two weeks for a short holiday.

A carload of men from the district went to the clean-up day at Hastings Lake Bible Camp last Wednesday.

Easterly Echoes

The Younker family had a pleasant visit from relatives who arrived by car from Prince Edward Island. They were Mr. and Mrs. William Molynaux, daughter Lois, two sons Lloyd and Willie with their wives and three grandchildren, Janet, Harold and Lloyd. Mrs. Molynaux is a sister of Mr. Chas. Younker.

The Battle River W.I. will meet on the afternoon of June 29 at the home of Mrs. H. Morse. The roll call will be "How can we improve our W.I.?" The program Mrs. Doolson, draw, Mrs. Enger and hostesses Mrs. Morse and Mrs. C. Steele.

Mrs. R. S. Fitzpatrick is a patient in the Wainwright hospital, recovering from an attack of flu.

Many Pay Last Respects To Gordon Whidden

On Saturday, June 16, the Jarrow United Church was filled to overflowing with sorrowing relatives and friends who had come to pay their last respects to Gordon Whidden whose tragic death occurred on June 12.

The Rev. H. W. Inglis officiated at the service, assisted by the student minister Mr. Moore.

Gordon Ross Whidden was born in the Jarrow district on May 31, 1923. He received his public school education at Bets and spent two years at the Schools of Agriculture at Vermilion and Olds. He was highly regarded by all who knew him and was always willing to help out in every worthwhile cause. During the Second World War he responded to the call of his country and enlisted during the fall of 1942. He came home in February, 1946, having served overseas part of this time.

He was united in marriage to Helen Knudson Pendleton on Nov. 25, 1946. He is survived by his loving wife, one daughter Gail, aged 3½ years, and a stepson, Wayne, aged 12 years.

Also left to mourn his passing are his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Whidden, two brothers, Harold and Alwyn, and three sisters, Mrs. H. G. Smith, Mrs. Roy Fuder and Mrs. Merle Knudson and his grandmother, Mrs. D. Whidden.

The pall bearers were Victor Carter, Phil Holt, Albert Glasgow, Leslie Brown, Earl Fuder and Alfred Halvorsen.

Beautiful floral tributes were received from: Loving wife, Wayne and Gail; Daddy, Mother, and Alwyn; Mama and Papa; Tobe, Margaret, Bert, Todd and Faye; Jean, Roy, Marla and Murray; Harold, Wynne and Lee; Dorothy, Merle and Iona; Melvin, Elizabeth and George Whidden; Mrs. Hattie Brown; Ahlf Family; Marvin and Mabel; Ina, Albert and Aletha; Art and Marian; Mr. Hedley; Harold, Anne and family; Mrs. H. M. Carter; Mr. and Mrs. W. Myers; Mr. and Mrs. Jamison, Howard and Grant; Mrs. McLean; Irma United Church; W.A. Ralph, Emma and boys; Margaret and Earl Burr; Mr. and Mrs. V. Lindberg and family; Mr. Carter and Victor; Jomac, Gladys and boys; Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Lockhart and family; Mr. and Mrs. Ted Skori and family; George and Alivia Theroux; Mr. and Mrs. J. Lloyd and family; Elsie, Ed and Olga Bruhaug; Borchild, Bill and Shirley Anne; Mr. and Mrs. K. Lingley and boys; Ronjims and family; Mr. Lawrence Moore; Hood McGuire; McClune family; Canadian Legion of Kinelsa; Teacher and Pupils of Batts School; Irma High School Students Union.

Memorial Fund to Jarrow United Church: Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Matthew and family; Mr. and Mrs. Norman Stauffer and family; Mr. and Mrs. Robert McKinnis; Mr. and Mrs. Percy Wright and Clifford; Jarrow Ladies Aid.

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THE IRMA TIMES



EDITORIALS

Week of Canadian Unity

This year Canadians from coast to coast are being asked to focus their attention for the week of June 24 to July 1 on the state of the nation's unity.

The idea of a Week of Canadian Unity has been conceived and is being sponsored by the French Canadian Weekly Newspapers Association and the Canadian Weekly Newspapers Association.

Canadians have never been too conscious of their own unity, have been too prone to think of themselves in terms of the provinces in which they live, of the ethnic groups of which they are a part or of the language which they speak. Believing that Canada is more unified than Canadians realize, the two great newspaper associations are sponsoring this week to bring home to the people of this nation the fact of Canadian unity.

In any land as far flung as Canada there are bound to be sectional differences but the Canadian democratic way of life, the Canadian conception of freedom of the individual, Canadian pride in the achievements of this youthful nation surpass infinitely any differences that may exist.

Canadians do not know too well their own story and are better acquainted with the historical figures of Britain, France and the United States than they are with the great men of their own past. A quiz, for instance, on the Fathers of Confederation would keep most Canadians guessing.

If Canadian Unity Week accomplishes only two things—impresses Canadians with the astounding degree of unity achieved during the short 84 years since Confederation and convinces Canadians of the necessity of knowing each other better if the unity of the nation is to be strengthened—Canada's weekly newspapers associations will have attained their objective.

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FARM NEWS

Costs of Operating The Forage Crop Harvester and Pick-Up Hay Baler

Ottawa, June 6, 1951—Power take-off forage harvesters and pick-up hay-balers cut time and labor requirements. But, they are a good investment for farmers only if their operational life can be extended to 2,000 hours.

Those are the conclusions reported by D. A. Brown of the Experimental Farm at Brandon, Man., following tests on the two types of machine.

Cost of operating the power take-off forage harvester, initial cost of which was \$1,250, was 98 cents a ton for green corn. Cost of operating the harvester, plus cost of tractor and operator was \$1.32 a ton.

It cost \$1.70 a ton to bale hay with the automatic pick-up hay baler, which had an initial cost of \$1,980. Total cost per ton of baler, tractor and operator was \$2.74.

To get profitable returns on the capital expended, the average operational span for the forage harvester should be from 100 to 120 hours a year and for the automatic hay baler from 140 to 170 hours a year, Mr. Brown says.

The Good Earth

N.A. Chomik, District Agriculturist

(From The Viking News)

Spraying for Weeds Pays

The spraying season is again here. Fields should be checked for weed infestation and weedy grain crops should receive an application of 2,4-D which is a relatively new chemical but most farmers are familiar with its use. It has its limitations and we know that its not a cure-all but nevertheless a very useful weapon to fight weeds. The effectiveness of this chemical depends on its correct use. Spraying when the weeds are in the active growing stage and before the crop is in the sheet blade is recognized as the proper time. The amount of 2,4-D needed per acre depends on susceptibility of the weeds you are spraying. However here are two examples—mustards and stinkweeds in cereals require about 6 oz. of amine and 4 oz. of ester per acre on the other, and thistles which are more resistant should be sprayed about 8 to 10 oz. of amine and 6 to 8 oz. of ester. As rates, susceptibility of weeds, stage of weeds and grain to spray are all specific, this detail information can be obtained from this office upon request. Application and proper use of sprayers is important and in all cases manufacturers directions should be followed.

The question of which to use, amine or ester is usually asked by farmers. In reply I would state that both are effective, if used accordingly to recommendations. Many farmers like ester because of its quick penetrating property and I believe its more commonly available.

Farmers should find out the acid content per gallon before buying 2,4-D products. The cost per gallon is not important as the number of ounces of actual acid per gallon and the cost per ounce. Therefore anyone purchasing 2,4-D is advised to check the acid content and compare it with the price of the chemical per gallon.

Incidentally some control can be effected on tatarian buckwheat when the plant is young, about 2 inches tall.

Does spraying for weeds pay? Evidence from experimental stations indicate that besides controlling weeds, spraying increases yields to the extent where costs of 2,4-D, labor, tractor, etc., are offset and a small profit returned. Redman wheat sprayed for a period of 3 years averaged 2.9 bushels more than the un-sprayed at the price of \$1.87 per acre with low priced machines to \$1.60 per acre with high priced machines. In addition dockage losses are less and most important is the reduction of infestation and propagation of weeds in our fields.

Nominations for Master Farm Family Award

Nominations are now being accepted for the Master Farm Family Award. There are many progressive and reputable farm families in this district that should

Newcastle Disease Report Made

Ottawa, June 13, 1951—Nineteen poultry flocks found infected with Newcastle Disease were destroyed during the week ending June 9, Dr. T. Childs, Veterinary Director General of Canada, reported today.

Manitoba, with nine, showed the greatest number of flocks destroyed last week. Flocks destroyed in other provinces were: British Columbia, three; Sask., two; Alberta, none and Ontario, five. No cases have been discovered to date in Quebec or the Maritime Provinces.

A total of eight flocks were found infected in B.C. during the week. None of them was vaccinated.

Compensation paid during the week was slightly more than \$6,000. B.C. received \$1,220 for 1,377 birds and 300 eggs, Manitoba \$2,371 for 2,939 birds and 280 eggs, Sask. \$123 for 136 birds and 20 eggs, and Ontario \$2,469 for 5,183 birds and 406 eggs.

In B.C. during the week, 29 poultry flocks comprising 17,457 chickens were vaccinated. Total of British Columbia flocks vaccinated with modified Doyle-Wright vaccine is 457, made up of 283,810 chickens and 27 turkey flocks comprising 12,213 turkeys.

not be overlooked by their neighbors. If you have a neighbor that you feel should be nominated, kindly inquire for nomination papers from this office and we will forward these to you with all other necessary information.

Know Your Weeds

If you discover any new weeds on your farm that you are not familiar with, send a specimen to this office for identification. It may be a noxious and troublesome weed that can be easily controlled in a small patch.

For small patches of noxious weeds sodium chlorate is still recommended. We have sodium chlorate in supply at the present time.

At the time of the 1941 census there were about 300,000 more males than females in Canada.

In 1950 the net income of Canadian farmers from farming operations was almost 10 per cent less than in 1949 and about 12 per cent below the record high of '48.



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Bruce Stampede Has Exciting Day Planned For June 27

Billed as one of Canada's oldest stampedes, and still going strong, is the 37th annual Bruce Stampede, sports and horse races.

Bruce is located 75 miles east of Edmonton on Highway 14. This annual event scheduled this year for Wednesday, June 27, is looked forward to by hundreds of visitors as well as regular customers.

A full program of stampede events and horse races starts at 12:30 noon and lasts until the

shades of evening are falling. Stampede events consist of saddle riding, calf roping, steer decorating, loose rope riding, wild horse race, wild cow milking, amateur bronc riding and other stunts that give the crowds a real thrill. Track events consist of a free-for-all and ponk race. No entry fee in these two races.

There will be plenty of other attractions of interest, such as music by the Daysland Elks Band, a merry-go-round, shetland pony rides, with a grand stampede ball in the evening with music by B. Fredericks and his Knight Birds. The grounds have been put in good shape and there'll be fun for all at the Bruce Stampede.

King & His Court Coming to Viking

(From The Viking News)
Viking and district sport fans are in line for a treat when the King and His Court, famous 4-man football team come to Viking on Friday, June 29th at the Viking Sports Grounds. They will play an all star team comprised of players in Viking and neighboring towns. Viking Branch Canadian Legion is the sponsor. Watch for posters, etc.

Officials are Bill Dorin, president and stampede manager; G. Fredericks vice-president; J. Parfett secretary-treasurer.

World of Wheat

By H. G. L. Strange

The Canadian Grain Mission

A Mission was sent from Canada in the fall of 1950 to Europe to look into the marketing of Canadian wheat and flour. The report is available from the Dept. of Trade and Commerce and is a most valuable and interesting document. The report shows that the quality of Canadian wheat is held in the highest of regard. This should be an encouragement to our farmers to do their very utmost to maintain, and if possible improve, the quality of their wheat crops. The only known method of doing this, of course, is to produce crops that are true-to-variety of the best varieties and this can only be done by the use of Registered seed. Every farmer, then, who is interested in the sale of his wheat and in obtaining a premium for it on world's markets, should certainly lay his plans to use each year a few bushels of Registered seed. The Mission stated that the market for wheat in Great Britain is declining, but that the market in the rest of Europe is growing and that Canada should make special efforts to gain her share of this European market in competition with other exporting countries.

UN Flag for Colombia's Korean Battalion



United Nations Secretary-General Trygve Lie (right) presents to Colombia's Representative, Dr. Roberto Urdaneta Arbelaez, who is also Minister of War, the United Nations Flag for his country's infantry battalion which soon will join the U.N. Forces in Korea. Others shown here, left to right, are: General Gustavo Rojas, Commander of the Colombian Military Forces; Francisco Urrutia Holguin, Colombia's Deputy Representative to U.N.; Ambassador Eliseo Arango, Colombia's Permanent Representative to the United Nations.



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Viking Girl Seriously Injured In Collision

(From The Viking News)



Miss Marjorie Taylor

Three persons were seriously injured in a truck and car collision Sunday evening about five miles west of Bruce on Highway 14.

Miss Marjorie Taylor, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Taylor, of Viking, suffered severe injuries to her back, Jack Stambaugh, of Bruce, driver of the car, suffered a broken hip and shock, and a soldier, (name unknown), who was hitching a ride with the couple, was severely cut when his head went through the windshield. The three people in the truck, driven by a Mr. Field, from north of Bruce, escaped with minor bruises.

The accident occurred when two cars were proceeding west and a car and small truck coming east on Highway 14. The hind car driven by Stambaugh and the truck collided head-on when they tried to pass the other cars. The dust and the late sun made poor visibility and neither driver saw the other driver trying to make the pass.

The injured were taken to the Tofteld hospital by the Romaghan Ambulance, but later Miss Taylor was transferred to an Edmonton hospital where her condition is still considered critical. She was returning to Camrose, where she is a member of the Camrose hospital nursing staff, after a visit to her home here.

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October—Mrs. A. Bacon; Mrs. King and Mrs. A. Bacon; Mrs. W. Elliott; Mrs. Enger; Mrs. R. King; Mrs. Elliott.

November—Mrs. G. Elliott; Mrs. Elliott and Mrs. Enger; Mrs. R. King; Mrs. Elliott.

December—Mrs. Dempsey; Mrs. Patterson and Mrs. Dempsey; Mrs. Elliott; Mrs. Dempsey.

Roll Call: July—How Can We Improve our W.I.; August—Bring a Friend; Sept.—My Favorite Pie (and bring the recipe); Oct.—Article for Bazaar Table; Nov.—Donate a Book for the Hospital; Dec.—Exchange of Gift and card.

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July 25

Locals

Mrs. Owen Moore has been visiting in the Albert district with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Currie and also with her sisters, Mrs. Wm. Inklin and Mrs. Chit Jones. She returned to her home in Edmonton on Monday last.

Special notice to W.I. members. The Grandmother's Day meeting date has been changed to Tuesday, July 10 instead of Thursday, July 6. This meeting will be held in the school lunchroom.

The W.I. ladies here are very proud of the fine sum of money raised in their recent Cancer Fund drive. They were able to send in no less than \$157.00 when the campaign was over. Six dollars of this sum had been given in memorial monies but the remainder had been gathered up by W.I. canvassers. We understand that the Irma business section received the round sum of \$100.00. Irma business folk take a bow.

Mrs. I. C. Knudson attended the Postmaster's Convention held in Edmonton last week. Many of her old friends here enjoyed hearing her speak over the air as representative of the postmistresses at the convention. They are also proud of the recognition she received in The Edmonton Journal.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Symington and family and Mrs. Zoost motored to Viking last Sunday to spend Father's Day with relatives there.

Born at the Manville hospital to Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Walker on June 7, a son.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Drewicki are enjoying a visit from the latter's brother and his wife, Const. and Mrs. Letawsky of Avonlea, Sask. Both couples plan to leave for Banff shortly where they will enjoy a week's holiday together.

The G.T.P. Shipping Ass'n. are holding the annual meeting in Hedley's Hall on June 29 at 2 p.m. Messrs. Purdy and Sheppard will be the speakers. All members are asked to attend.

A goodly number of Irmaites took in the Hardisty Stampede on Saturday last.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Hardy of Minburn and Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Brickman of Phillips were among those who came to Irma on Thursday, June 14 to help celebrate the Golden Wedding of Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Rae.

Norris Tomlinson attended the Young People's Farm Week at the University. He reports a very pleasant and profitable time.

We are sorry that there was not a larger crowd out to hear the Vermilion Choir last week. This was a truly splendid program with the male quartette one of the special highlights. Some of the numbers were humorous and all were of the calibre that makes fine listening. It is believed that some of the recent tragic events in our community had something to do with the poor attendance. Let it never be said of us that we Irmaites haven't an ear for music.

Mrs. R. T. Dykes and son, Bob, of Edmonton, accompanied by her sister, Mrs. Fern Hockett and two daughters of Viking, visited Irma relatives last week-end.

MORNING OF MY EIGHTY-FIFTH BIRTHDAY
June 11, 1951

And cars go by, and cars go by, I sit alone—alone.—
And marvel at the nothingness
To which my life has grown.

I've memories I would not exchange
For aught this side of heaven;
And love (the best of earthly gold)
Its wealth to me has given.

And friends thro' more than eighty years
Increased in numbers often,—
Uncounted,—dear,—they've
graced my life
And made its hardships soften.

I've walked,—I've run,—I've
stumbled, too,—
And climbed again to where
Joy, grief, love, peace and hope
combined
To form my life's welfare.

My fourscore years and five today
Seem a surprising limit,—
My faith's so grown in steadfastness
Naught in this world can dim it.
No matter how the pattern runs,
Sun-flecked or deeply shaded,
I'm sure of seeing heaven's light
Before earth's beams have faded.

— Nancy Orpha Parke.

Jarrow News

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Meakins and Mr. and Mrs. K. B. Lingley spent a day in the city last week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Moore of Daysland and Mr. and Mrs. W. Lindberg of Edmonton were visitors at the manse over the week-end.

The Battle district witnessed another tragedy on Saturday when a gas well which was being brought in caught fire. George Loper, a driller, was on the derrick at the time and met his death, while five others received severe burns and were rushed to the Viking hospital. The service equipment at the well was almost a total loss.

Floyd Lockhart visited at the home of his parents over the week-end.

Congratulations go to our latest newlyweds, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Bolter and we welcome them into our community.

Olga Bruhaug came from the city Tuesday evening for a short visit with the home folks.

Card of Thanks

Words cannot express our feelings for the wonderful evening that was given to us on the occasion of our golden wedding. We would like to thank one and all of you for your wonderful gift which we will love and appreciate every minute it ticks away.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Rae.

Northern Nuggets

Mr. and Mrs. John Moore and daughter of Tofield visited at the home of Mrs. R. A. McRoberts last Sunday.

Don't forget the W.I. picnic to be held at the picnic grounds on Friday, July 13.

Donald Ramsay has arrived home on leave from the navy until some time in August.

Not much news this week, as everyone is too busy fighting the weeds in the garden.

Kinsella News

Mr. and Mrs. Boe of New Westminster are spending a holiday here with their daughter and son-in-law Mr. and Mrs. A. Barker.

Mrs. P. Hjesvold and Margaret and Linda spent the week-end in the city.

Mr. S. Bilo spent the week-end at his home here.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Corbett and family of Edmonton were visiting relatives here during the week-end.

Quite a number of Kinsella people attended the Stampede at Hardisty on Saturday.

Mrs. F. Jack attended the wedding of Miss Muriel Starret and Mr. Carl Huff in Edmonton last week.

The sympathy of the whole community is extended to Mrs. Gordon Whidden and family and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Whidden and family on the tragic death of Gordon Whidden.

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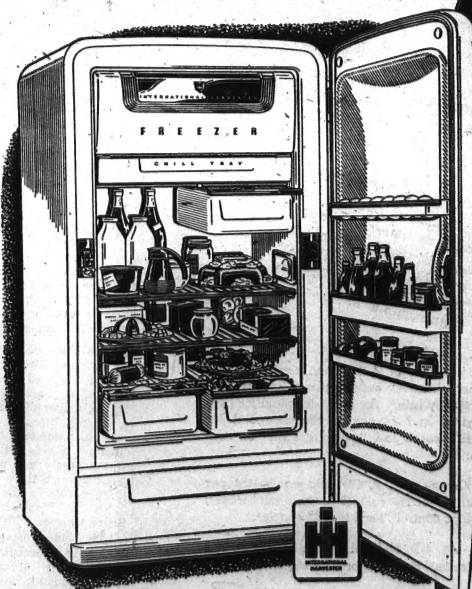
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Roseberry 3 p.m.
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Worship service 7:30 p.m.
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We are sorry that the donation of \$10.00 by F. E. Jones and Son was omitted from last week's account of the Calf Club Show. Also we would like to add the name of Gwen Bolger to the list of those who belong to the Explorer group and who were responsible for the fine evening put on in honor of the mothers and WMS members last week.

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